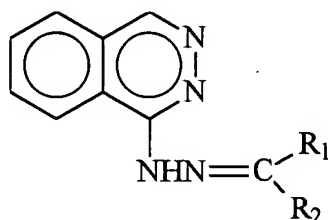
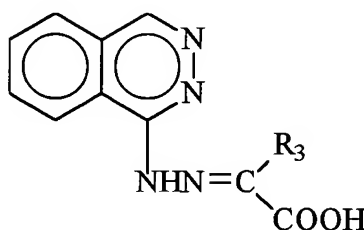


Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of improving the stability of a hydralazine composition during manufacturing or storage comprising coupling an N-protecting group with hydralazine to produce the compound having the formula:



or a compound having the formula:



where R_1 and R_2 are independently H, branched or straight chain alkyl having from 1 to about 7 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkylcycloalkyl, lower alkenyl or R_1 and R_2 together form part of a substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl having from about 4 of about 7 carbon atoms; where R_3 is a branched or straight chain alkyl having from 1 to about 7 carbon atoms, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted cycloalkyl, aralkyl, substituted or unsubstituted alkylcycloalkyl or a group having the formula $(CH_2)_nCOOH$ where n is from 1 to about 7.